

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 740

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Phyllis Hopper Naylor of Silerton.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Phyllis Hopper Naylor; and

WHEREAS, Phyllis Naylor was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of the late Burdon Fuller Hopper and Ima Frances Wilson Hopper, Mrs. Naylor was born in Silerton on October 16, 1943; and

WHEREAS, for twenty-five years, Phyllis Naylor served with acumen and alacrity as the postmaster for Silerton, in which position she earned the respect of community for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, a civic-minded individual, Mrs. Naylor served as mayor of Silerton in the late 1970s and early 1980s. During her tenure, Mayor Naylor was instrumental in getting natural gas and water piped into Silerton; and

WHEREAS, she was also a tireless supporter of the Silerton Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Phyllis Naylor was an active and devout member of Silerton Baptist Church, which she served faithfully for many years as a volunteer; her duties included bringing neighborhood children to services, teaching Sunday School, and cleaning the church; and

WHEREAS, she was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Phyllis Naylor will be fondly remembered by her loving husband, Bobby Naylor; her children, Todd Naylor and Tammy Foote; her sisters, Gene Shearon and Vonda

Siler; her grandchildren, Matt Harris, John Tyler Harris, and Drew Naylor; and her great-grandchild, Siler Jack Harris; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Naylor leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Phyllis Hopper Naylor, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Naylor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.